

RESOLUTION #1 OF 2015
A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE MATCHING PARTNERSHIPS
BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF CENTRE AND TWO TOWNSHIPS
FOR THE PURCHASE OF CONSERVATION EASEMENTS IN 2015

WHEREAS, the Centre County Agricultural Land Preservation Board has created the "Municipal Partnership Program" to engage more partners in preserving Centre County farmland, and to complement the existing state-funded agricultural conservation easement program and other components of the County's Agricultural Land Preservation Program; and

WHEREAS, Centre County recognizes that this program provides a unique opportunity for partnerships between Municipalities and the County to permanently preserve farmland through the purchase of agricultural conservation easements; and

WHEREAS, Potter Township has officially committed \$40,000, and Ferguson Township has committed \$35,000 to participate in the Centre County Municipal Partnership Program for 2015; and

WHEREAS, these contributions will be combined with Centre County's 2015 allocation and sent to the Commonwealth of PA for matching funds, and after these funds are coordinated, the Centre County Agricultural Land Preservation Board will choose farms from the current ranking list based on their rank and available funds; and

WHEREAS, the Centre County Agricultural Land Preservation Board, in return for the municipality's participation in the program, will be responsible for the administration, and associated costs, of the agricultural conservation easement, as well as providing lifetime monitoring and enforcement of the easement.

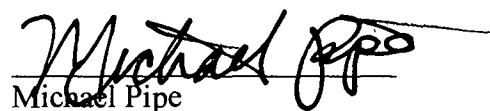
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Centre County Board of Commissioners that it recognizes and supports the partnership between Centre County and Potter Township and Ferguson Township regarding the purchase of agricultural conservation easements for 2015 in accordance with the above stated "whereas" clauses and the letters of support from the Townships which are attached hereto and made a part hereof collectively as Exhibit "A".

Adopted this 27th day of January 2015.

COUNTY OF CENTRE


Steven G. Dershem, Chairman



C. Chris Exarchos


Michael Pipe

1/27/15

Date

ATTEST:


Denise L. Elbell, Deputy Administrator
Director of Finance